

# HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, FORESTRY, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

327 House Office Building

Thursday 9:00 A.M.

February 17, 2005

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**Representative Tom Casperson, Chair**, called the meeting to order.

**Representative Casperson** requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

**Present:** Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltroun and Espinoza.

**Absent:** Representative Gillard.

**Representative Espinoza** moved, supported by **Representative Garfield**, to excuse absent members.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

**MEMBER ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Representative Gillard.

**Representative Baxter** moved, supported by **Representative Stakoe**, to approve the minutes of the **February 10, 2005** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

**The Chair** called for the adoption of the appointed meeting time.

**Representative Espinoza** moved, supported by **Representative Garfield**, to adopt 8:30 a.m. as the appointment.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 9-0-0**.

## **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Casperson, Nitz, Garfield, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltroun and Espinoza,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

**TIME ADOPTED.**

**The Chair** proceeded with the business of the committee by introducing **Steven E. Chester**, **Director** of the **Department of Environmental Quality**.

**Director Chester** introduced the following members of his staff.

**Richard A. Powers**, Water Bureau, Chief

**Mary Ellen Cromwell**, Land and Water Management Division, Chief

**Carol Linteau**, Legislative Liaison

**Amy A. Butler**, Environmental Science and Services Division, Chief

**Director Chester and Division Staff** gave an overview of the **Department of Environmental Quality**\*. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **10:25 a.m.**

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Representative Tom Casperson, Chair

Dave Mead  
Committee Clerk  
February 17, 2005  
1 hour 25 minutes

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Date Approved and Signed

\* indicated printed material attached to original minutes.